



# Transaction Privilege Tax Changes and News

This publication is an informational notice included with the January 2004 Transaction Privilege Tax Return.

## TOWN OF HAYDEN

**Effective March 1, 2004:** On November 17, 2003 the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hayden passed ordinance number 118. Ordinance 118 increases the Hayden Town Privilege Tax from **1% to 3%**. The tax rate increase affects the following classifications:

Advertising; Amusements; Construction Contracting; Feed at Wholesale; Job printing; Manufactured buildings; Publishing; Rental Occupancy; Hotels; Rental of real property; Rental of tangible personal property; Restaurants and Bars; Retail sales; Telecommunications; Transporting for hire; Utilities and Use Tax.

The increase imposed by this ordinance shall not apply to contracts entered into prior to the effective date of the ordinance. **Pre-existing contracts** should be reported using **CODE HY008** at a rate of **1%**.

## WHICH TPT-1 SHOULD I USE?

The department recently created a new monthly Transaction Privilege, Use, and Severance Return, TPT-1. You can use the new form – for periods prior to December 2003 and if you need to amend your return. For more information, please visit the website, [www.aztaxes.gov](http://www.aztaxes.gov) or call the department at 602-255-2060 or toll free from area codes 520 & 928, 1-800-843-7196.

## NEW SYSTEM BEGINS

January marks the beginning of a new DOR. Release One of BRITS, the Department's reengineering and integrated tax system project, took place on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The first release includes all functionality related to Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT) and Withholding Tax. Coinciding with changes in processing will be new forms for filing TPT and Withholding Tax. The new TPT-1 forms were mailed to all active TPT accounts in December along with the new instructions and explanations of most of the changes to the form. The new A1-QRT for Withholding Tax is in the design stages now and will be ready prior to the filing due date for the first quarter. The A1-WP payment coupon can still be used to make payments.

Also included in this release is the roll out of new website for online filing: [www.AzTaxes.gov](http://www.AzTaxes.gov). On the new site, taxpayers and practitioners can register, file, pay and manage their accounts on the Internet. Instructions for registering to use the site are available there as well. Until the financial conversion on January 20, historical filing and payment information will not be available. After the financial conversion, account data will be available for returns and payments on all accounts with outstanding liabilities as of January 2, whether the site was used to process them or not.

Corporate Income Tax and Individual Income Tax will be integrated into BRITS in later releases.

## TAXES HAVE YOU STRESSED?



The department offers a 60-minute video introducing you to withholding tax, transaction privilege tax for contractors and transaction privilege tax for retailers. This is available at any department office for \$5.

# E-File Now!

Refunds in as little as 5 days.

Easy to Use  
Worry Free  
Direct Deposit



**You may  
be eligible for  
EITC!**

Last year, 147,000 low and moderate income families in Arizona did not claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) refund.

**You may qualify if you:**

- earned less than \$11,230 with no dependent children, or
- earned less than \$34,692 with dependent children (amount of refund varies with the number of dependents), and
- are age 25 - 65

**You may have earned it.  
Why not claim it using E-File?**



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